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Mr. David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243

RE: In re Generic Docket to Consider Technology Advances -

Docket No. 02-00434

Sprint's Comments; Petition to Intervene

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Pursuant to the April 2, 2002 Notice issued in this case, enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and thirteen copies of the joint Comments of United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. and Sprint Communications Company L.P. As required by the Notice, enclosed is a Petition to Intervene, together with a check in the amount of \$25 for the filing fee.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

James B. Wright

Enclosures

Cc: Laura Sykora Kaye Odum BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE: Generic Docket to Consider Technology Advances

Docket No.02-00434

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P. AND UNITED TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC.
JOINT PETITION TO INTERVENE

Sprint Communications Company L.P. ("Sprint"), and United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. ('Sprint-United") pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310 and T.C.A. § 65-2-107, hereby jointly petition the Authority for leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding, and in support thereof state as follows:

- 1. Sprint is a Delaware partnership authorized to conduct business in the state of Tennessee as an interexchange and competitive local exchange company, furnishes telecommunications services in the state of Tennessee and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Authority. Sprint-United is a Virginia Corporation authorized to conduct business in the state of Tennessee as an incumbent local exchange company, furnishes local exchange telephone service and other telecommunications services in the state of Tennessee and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Authority.
- 2. This Petition is filed more than seven (7) days before any scheduled hearing in this matter.

3. Sprint and Sprint -United respectfully request that they be granted leave to intervene and participate as parties in the above-captioned proceeding in that as telecommunications service providers, the decisions regarding the establishment of UNEs and the rates therefor which is the subject of this proceeding may directly affect their legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests.

4. The interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing the intervention.

WHEREFORE, Sprint and Sprint-United pray:

1. That they be permitted to intervene in this proceeding and participate as parties.

2. That they have such other and further relief to which they may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P. UNITED TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC.

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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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GENERIC DOCKET TO CONSIDER TECHNOLOGY ADVANCES	EXECOTIVE	DOCKET NO. 02-00434

COMMENTS OF UNITED TELEPHONE – SOUTHEAST, INC. AND SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.

On April 24, 2002 the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") issued a notice of filing advising that interested parties may file comments regarding the scope of this docket.

Sprint requests that the TRA include in the scope of this proceeding further consideration of how competitive LECs might offer advanced services where fiber optic cable is present in the local loop. For example, Sprint asks the TRA to address the issues raised in the Line Share UNE Docket regarding the functionality provided by dual purpose line cards and whether it is appropriate to consider such functionality as a UNE. In this regard, Sprint requests the TRA to take judicial notice in this proceeding of the record relating to dual purpose line cards in Docket 00-00544.

Respectfully Submitted,

UNITED TELEPHONE – SOUTHEAST, INC. AND SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.

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